

In Th Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-55 and 70-75 without prejudice.

Add the following claims.

15 ~~76~~. (New) The labelstock of claim ~~56~~ wherein the stretch orientation of the multilayer film (A) in the machine direction is greater than the stretch orientation in the cross direction by at least about 10%.

16 ~~77~~. (New) The labelstock of claim ~~56~~ wherein the multilayer film (A) has a frictional energy of less than 120 g-cm.

17 ~~78~~. (New) The labelstock of claim ~~56~~ wherein the multilayer film (A) has a frictional energy of less than 80 g-cm.

REMARKS

Claims 56-69 and 76-78 remain in the application. In view of the above amendments, and the remarks which follow, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims.

The Amendments

Claims 76-78 have been added to the application. Support for the new claim 76 is found in the specification at page 13, line 28, and in original claim 40. Support for new claim 77 is found in the specification at page 26, line 5, and in original claim 49. Support for claim 78 is found in original claim 50. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments.